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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir,

In response to the Office Action of October 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

No amendments to the Specification have been made.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.